

Amendment No. 1 to SB0390

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**AMEND Senate Bill No. 390\***

**House Bill No. 749**

by adding the following language to the end of § 63-11-305(j) of the amendatory language of Section 1:

In the event that a primary care prescriber, upon receiving information regarding a prescribing psychologist's prescriptive treatment plan or changing an existing prescriptive treatment plan, objects to such plan and communicates such objections to the prescribing psychologist, the physician may overrule the prescribing psychologist in the event that no agreement on the patient's treatment plan can be reached. Such decision shall be based solely upon medical contraindications relating to drug-drug interactions or other disease processes.

AND FURTHER AMEND by adding the following language as new subsections to § 63-11-305 of the amendatory language of Section 1:

(m) Prescribing psychologists shall not prescribe to minors until a course of non-pharmacological treatment such as psychotherapy has been attempted and demonstrated to be clinically insufficient or ineffective. For purposes of this subsection a minimum of five (5) visits shall be required prior to prescribing.

(n) In the event that the patient successfully completes a course of psychotherapy and continued medication is clinically indicated, regular, periodic medication checks shall be required in minimum intervals of six (6) months.